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MONTHLY COMPLETION REPORT FOR U.S. OIL, GAS, AND DRY WELLS

As a result of a time lag between the time a well is completed and the time its completion is reported, the published numbers do not reflect the total number of wells actually completed. Consequently, the data is preliminary and subject to revision. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions reported for the current month and each of the eleven prior months (Table I). For comparison purposes, the same period reported one year ago is also included.

The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests as well as service wells. The geographic distribution for well completions and footage drilled is available on a quarterly basis, in the API publication entitled the **"Quarterly Completion Report"**.

Total Wells Completed

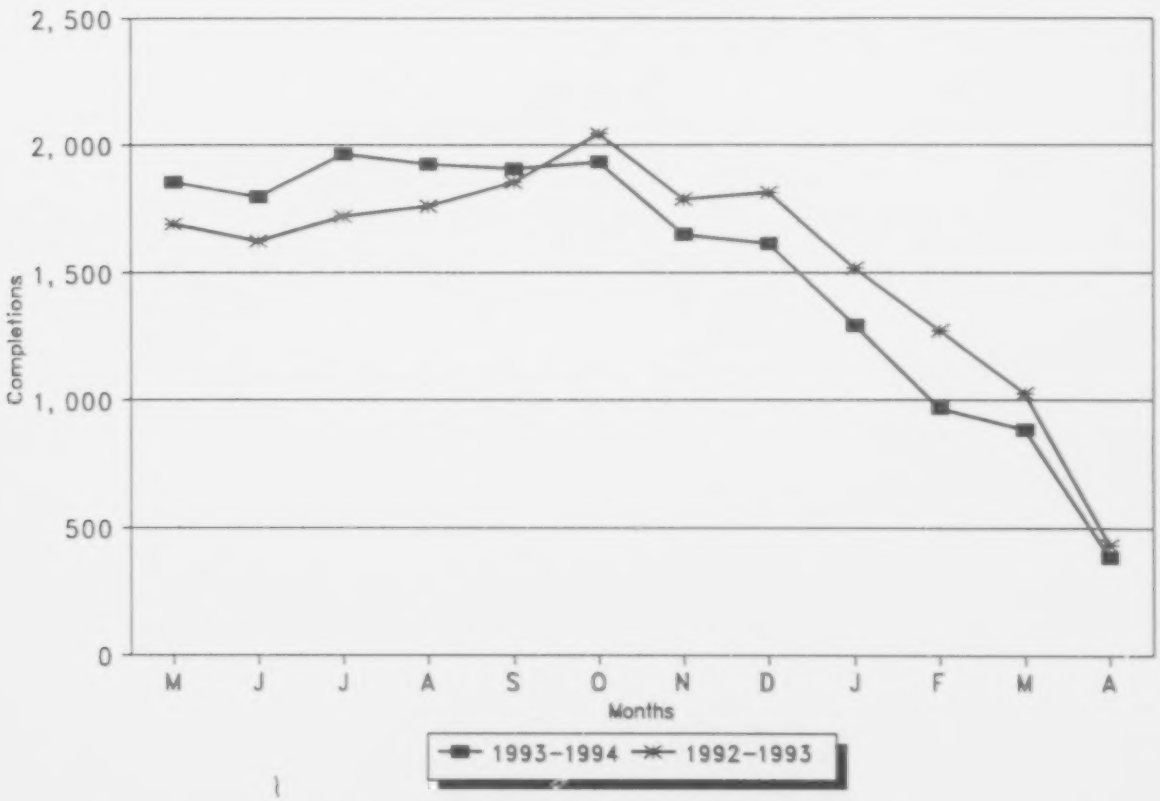

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF APRIL 1994(1)

	OIL WELLS (2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS(4)	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	1,319	8,173,531	1,144	8,478,087	1,075	6,500,633	3,538	23,152,251	3,600	23,379,502
1994: APR	114	581,509	111	735,653	161	897,376	386	2,214,538	387	2,222,063
MAR	312	2,135,705	291	2,229,216	285	1,760,295	888	6,125,216	904	6,181,190
FEB	371	2,360,401	336	2,521,808	264	1,581,572	971	6,463,781	992	6,546,399
JAN	522	3,095,916	406	2,991,410	365	2,261,390	1,293	8,348,716	1,317	8,429,850
TOTAL 1993	7,997	42,872,673	8,222	51,538,641	6,251	32,619,860	22,470	127,031,174	23,141	129,359,008
1993: DEC	618	3,503,896	532	3,498,238	462	2,656,040	1,612	9,658,174	1,645	9,774,644
NOV	643	3,788,609	554	3,675,439	453	2,498,400	1,650	9,962,448	1,697	10,121,362
OCT	723	3,922,491	704	4,432,070	505	2,595,472	1,932	10,950,033	1,986	11,134,795
SEP	695	3,694,253	630	3,871,592	582	3,029,039	1,907	10,594,884	1,997	10,922,440
AUG	737	3,492,562	633	3,949,449	556	2,903,796	1,926	10,345,807	2,001	10,595,292
JUL	707	3,959,930	547	3,453,944	712	3,364,922	1,966	10,778,796	2,011	10,996,344
JUN	640	3,630,288	609	3,671,351	547	2,755,155	1,796	10,056,794	1,854	10,270,498
MAY	645	3,210,686	629	4,064,591	578	2,954,958	1,852	10,230,235	1,906	10,398,211
APR	631	3,398,023	637	4,593,364	536	2,800,369	1,804	10,791,756	1,864	10,969,142
MAR	664	3,317,291	875	5,568,340	404	2,208,073	1,943	11,093,704	2,007	11,286,861
FEB	617	3,260,751	930	5,374,308	478	2,581,582	2,025	11,216,641	2,069	11,368,251
JAN	677	3,693,893	942	5,385,955	438	2,272,054	2,057	11,351,902	2,104	11,521,168
TOTAL 1992	8,743	44,602,369	7,652	43,391,251	6,325	32,187,092	22,720	120,180,712	23,708	122,483,929
1992: DEC	806	4,153,807	942	5,186,952	456	2,450,384	2,204	11,791,143	2,319	12,030,004
NOV	736	3,808,332	886	5,177,257	484	2,498,896	2,106	11,484,485	2,166	11,666,843
OCT	814	3,824,861	910	5,144,328	572	2,915,965	2,296	11,885,154	2,382	12,075,447
SEP	799	4,009,561	642	3,684,885	566	2,985,135	2,007	10,679,581	2,077	10,835,978
AUG	669	3,338,469	601	3,446,529	594	2,896,344	1,864	9,681,342	1,921	9,768,885
JUL	722	3,707,507	544	3,023,656	560	2,690,852	1,826	9,422,015	1,883	9,539,211
JUN	679	3,525,664	506	2,927,611	507	2,503,052	1,692	8,956,327	1,740	9,093,696
MAY	686	3,620,102	463	2,795,564	614	2,934,271	1,763	9,349,937	1,830	9,548,737
APR	688	3,430,686	433	2,671,981	530	2,712,922	1,651	8,815,589	1,780	9,137,568
MAR	745	3,887,101	520	2,925,440	508	2,670,493	1,773	9,483,034	1,879	9,654,638
FEB	621	3,234,142	583	3,014,938	427	2,277,103	1,631	8,526,183	1,736	8,788,126
JAN	778	4,062,137	622	3,392,110	507	2,651,675	1,907	10,105,922	1,995	10,324,796
TOTAL 1991	11,780	54,391,342	9,174	48,282,768	7,701	39,588,907	28,655	142,263,017	29,845	145,231,890
TOTAL 1990	12,111	54,257,692	10,562	54,151,699	8,487	43,611,085	31,160	152,020,476	32,012	154,335,768

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF APRIL 1994(1)

	OIL WELLS (2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	98	569,700	107	735,030	410	2,644,539	615	3,949,269
1994: APR	16	85,890	9	54,412	51	327,773	76	468,075
MAR	18	110,446	30	176,133	110	673,168	158	959,747
FEB	19	129,436	32	247,095	97	624,256	148	1,000,787
JAN	45	243,928	36	257,390	152	1,019,342	233	1,520,660
TOTAL 1993	449	2,825,099	420	2,501,063	2,347	13,327,757	3,216	18,653,919
1993: DEC	33	233,927	23	159,074	176	1,073,436	232	1,466,437
NOV	32	205,279	34	217,132	182	1,066,092	248	1,488,503
OCT	40	258,177	44	255,374	186	996,052	270	1,509,603
SEP	34	200,422	31	200,403	217	1,228,788	282	1,629,613
AUG	25	131,268	40	226,910	230	1,305,551	295	1,663,729
JUL	37	236,508	27	122,765	255	1,342,056	319	1,701,329
JUN	44	238,110	33	194,045	218	1,183,187	295	1,615,342
MAY	42	244,763	42	277,604	170	923,595	254	1,445,962
APR	51	316,778	30	197,709	210	1,248,677	291	1,763,164
MAR	30	206,297	30	177,656	176	1,090,367	236	1,474,320
FEB	33	220,288	48	259,494	168	993,055	249	1,472,837
JAN	48	333,282	38	212,897	159	876,901	245	1,423,080
TOTAL 1992	500	3,226,132	390	2,352,502	2,597	13,870,480	3,487	19,449,114
1992: DEC	27	171,824	34	171,344	166	951,500	227	1,294,668
NOV	38	244,362	41	234,080	166	951,252	245	1,429,694
OCT	46	295,238	36	229,258	215	1,116,642	297	1,641,138
SEP	39	258,215	23	119,618	229	1,223,989	291	1,601,822
AUG	45	290,506	35	182,828	250	1,260,405	330	1,733,739
JUL	51	303,493	36	219,366	269	1,379,629	356	1,902,488
JUN	48	324,300	36	237,582	211	1,154,039	295	1,715,921
MAY	40	277,594	25	143,192	250	1,201,778	315	1,622,564
APR	44	261,030	26	131,191	248	1,360,518	318	1,752,739
MAR	35	194,055	30	220,951	206	1,110,243	271	1,525,249
FEB	40	269,005	34	240,486	169	896,638	243	1,406,129
JAN	47	336,510	34	222,606	218	1,263,847	299	1,822,963
TOTAL 1991	577	3,592,120	523	3,411,415	3,318	18,805,079	4,418	25,808,614
TOTAL 1990	646	4,289,499	662	4,454,941	3,806	21,396,680	5,114	30,141,120

TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS(1) BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING APRIL 1994

	OIL WELLS (2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS(4)	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	473	2,796,747	414	3,014,905	301	1,774,310	1,188	7,585,962	1,213	7,681,769
1994: APR	114	581,509	111	735,653	161	897,376	386	2,214,538	387	2,222,063
MAR	224	1,529,462	196	1,572,689	99	647,124	519	3,749,275	534	3,802,217
FEB	80	424,162	73	474,741	27	160,519	180	1,059,422	186	1,090,627
JAN	55	261,614	34	231,822	14	69,291	103	562,727	106	566,862
TOTAL 1993	192	848,204	171	955,298	77	427,118	440	2,230,620	466	2,299,505
1993: DEC	59	258,374	53	272,947	15	100,701	127	632,022	132	642,626
NOV	39	127,957	26	135,536	16	100,000	81	363,493	82	367,918
OCT	23	93,197	19	92,502	10	61,690	52	247,389	54	251,286
SEP	25	113,713	21	143,892	11	38,322	57	295,927	60	321,700
AUG	15	75,846	16	83,397	4	12,236	35	171,479	42	181,849
JUL	10	63,469	14	116,941	8	34,814	32	215,224	34	220,427
JUN	6	32,055	8	39,179	4	15,369	18	86,603	23	93,816
MAY	7	54,140	1	7,400	4	34,431	12	95,971	13	97,371
APR	1	1,736	3	18,877	1	10,660	5	31,273	5	31,273
MAR	2	9,226	1	3,350	2	15,271	5	27,847	5	27,847
FEB	4	10,163	8	36,547	1	342	13	47,052	13	47,052
JAN	1	8,328	1	4,730	1	3,282	3	16,340	3	16,340
TOTAL 1992	26	45,257	68	256,652	4	22,767	98	324,676	100	330,603
1992: DEC	4	4,269	1	3,518	2	3,667	7	11,454	7	11,454
NOV	4	6,631	2	9,116	0	0	6	15,747	6	15,747
OCT	5	8,914	11	46,897	0	0	16	55,811	16	55,811
SEP	3	8,093	3	16,902	1	9,600	7	34,595	7	34,595
AUG	2	3,429	5	19,466	0	0	7	22,895	7	22,895
JUL	0	0	6	17,859	0	0	6	17,859	6	17,859
JUN	1	781	8	26,195	0	0	9	26,976	10	29,878
MAY	2	3,287	3	20,932	0	0	5	24,219	6	27,244
APR	0	0	6	14,524	0	0	6	14,524	6	14,524
MAR	0	0	6	21,964	0	0	6	21,964	6	21,964
FEB	3	5,445	6	18,993	0	0	9	24,438	9	24,438
JAN	2	4,408	11	40,266	1	9,500	14	54,194	14	54,194
TOTAL 1991	8	34,775	105	407,879	3	25,835	116	468,489	117	469,964
YRS PRIOR TO 1991	9	45,378	8	38,100	17	75,330	34	158,808	36	174,163
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED(5)	708	3,770,361	766	4,672,834	402	2,325,360	1,876	10,768,555	1,932	10,956,004

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of April 30, 1994. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period April 6, 1994 through April 30, 1994. The subtotals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.